

WALKER, CHARLES T.

~~Other Individuals and Organizations
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Walker, C. T. KP

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On November 29, 1963, Det. C. W. BROWN, Homicide and Robbery Bureau, Dallas Police Department, advised SA JAMES W. BOOKHOUT that the following are the Dallas Police Department officers who first arrested LEE HARVEY OSWALD at the Texas Theater, November 22, 1963. BROWN stated that personal contact with OSWALD was made by said officers in the order listed below:

1. M. N. MC DONALD, uniformed officer, Radio Patrol Division
2. T. A. HUTSON, uniformed officer, Traffic Division
3. C. T. WALKER, uniformed officer, Traffic Division
4. RAY HAWKINS, uniformed officer, Traffic Division.

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December 2, 1963

Mr. J. H. Curry
Chief of Police

Subject: Arrest of Lee Harvey Oswald

Sir:

At approximately 2:00 p.m., November 22, 1963, I was working Squad #283 in Oak Cliff. I was cruising in the area of Tenth Street and Mockley Avenue looking for the killer of Officer J. D. Tippit. The Dispatcher put out a call stating that the suspect was in the Texas Theater on Jefferson Blvd. I proceeded to the rear of the Theater and parked my squad car in the alley. I entered the rear door with Officers M. H. McDonald and T. A. Hutson. Officer McDonald and I walked across the stage and jumped down to the main seating area. Officer Hutson walked down the stairs next to the door we had entered. I started walking up the North aisle toward the man who were observed sitting in the middle of the show.

Officer McDonald was walking up the South aisle also toward the two men. Officer McDonald and I walked up to these two men and searched them. While searching these two men the arrested person was observed sitting farther back in the show on the third row from the rear of the show. I walked back to the North aisle and back to the row where the suspect was sitting. Officer McDonald had walked back to the row where the suspect was. Officer Hutson had entered the row behind the suspect, walking ahead of me, toward the suspect.

I observed Officer McDonald as he walked up to the suspect and said something to him. The suspect stood up and faced Officer McDonald. At that time I was approaching the suspect from his back. Officer McDonald reached down as if to search the suspect and as he did the suspect hit him in the face. Officer McDonald started grappling with the suspect and Officer Hutson and I ran toward them. Officer Hutson reached over from the seat behind the suspect and grabbed him around the neck. I reached and grabbed the suspect's left arm. I do not know where Officer Roy Hawkins came from, but he was to my left in front of the suspect, also attempting to hold him. I could see Officer McDonald and the suspect grappling over the gun. The suspect had his right hand on it and so did Officer McDonald. The gun was being waved around approximately waist high. I heard a click of the revolver as it snapped, but I do not know what direction the revolver was pointing when it snapped. Officer Hawkins told me to bring the suspect's arms around a little so he could get the handcuffs on. I did this and started bringing the suspect out the aisle I had entered. I took hold of the suspect's right arm when we got to the North aisle. Detective Paul Bentley took his left arm and we took the suspect out the front door of the Theater. We put the suspect in the rear of a plain squad car and brought the suspect to the City Hall.

There were three plainclothes Officers in the front seat of the car that the suspect was brought down in. Sgt. Jerry Hill was one of the Officers and I do not know the names of the others.

Respectfully,

Charles J. Walker
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November 1963
Traffic Division

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Patrolman #1592
Traffic Division

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Honorable J. E. Curry
Chief of Police
Dallas Police Department
Dallas, Texas

Dear Chief Curry:

On behalf of the Commission I would like to thank you for the cooperation extended by you and your staff to representatives of the Commission in Dallas during the past week.

In my letter of March 18, 1964, which was delivered to Chief Establor, I set forth the names of various members of your Department to be interviewed or deposed by members of the staff. I am informed by Mr. Hubert and Mr. Griffin that a considerable amount of this work has already been completed.

Two additional members of the Commission staff, Mr. Joseph A. Ball and Mr. David W. Belin, will be in Dallas on March 31, 1964, and expect to remain for approximately a week. On behalf of the Commission Mr. Ball and Mr. Belin wish to take the depositions of various police officers who participated in the search of the Texas School Book Depository, the search of the Paine Home in Irving, Texas, the search of the home at North Rockley, and the arrest of Lee Harvey Oswald. In addition, these members of the staff wish to interrogate the officers who were present at the line-up where the suspect was shown to witnesses and those present during the interrogation of Oswald.

At this time Mr. Ball and Mr. Belin are interested in taking the depositions of the police officers listed on the attachment to this letter. It may be, of course, that additional

cc: Mr. Rankin
Mr. Willens
Mr. Ball - Mr. Belin

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information which comes to light in the course of this work will disclose the need to take the depositions of other members of your Department. It is planned to take the depositions in the office of United States Attorney Barefoot Sanders, United States Post Office Building, Dallas, Texas. We hope to arrange times which will meet the convenience of the officers involved and the operations of your Department. Mr. Ball and Mr. Balin will contact you shortly after their arrival in Dallas to make the necessary arrangements.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

J. Leo Rankin
General Counsel

Enclosure

Chief Laspkin
Det. Leslie D. Montgomery
Det. R. L. Stufshaker
Det. Marvin Johnson
Bob K. Carroll
Charles T. Walker
T. A. Hinton
Ray Haskins
Gerald L. Hill
K. E. Lyon
Capt. W. H. Westbrook
Det. F. M. Turner
Det. Walter E. Potts
Det. G. F. Ross
Det. R. S. Stovall
Det. H. K. Moore
Det. J. P. Adamcik
Det. Johnny Hicks
Det. Pete Barnes
Det. C. H. Hovarty
Det. C. W. Brown
Det. R. K. Sims
Det. E. L. Boyd
J. D. Martin (Motorcycle)

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MAR 31 1964

Mr. Walter E. Craig
President, American Bar Association
1100 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mr. Craig:

As I mentioned in my previous letter of March 26, 1964, depositions are planned of witnesses in Dallas in addition to those listed in my prior letter. I am now in a position to supply you with a list of additional names.

Attached to this letter is a schedule of depositions to be taken by Messrs. Hall and Dolin on Wednesday, April 1, 1964 and Thursday, April 2, 1964. In addition, I am enclosing a list of Police Department and other witnesses whose depositions will probably be taken on Friday, April 3, or the first two days of the following week.

sincerely,

SIGNED

J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel

Mr. Rankin
Mr. Willens

Enclosures

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WITNESSES SCHEDULED FOR DEPOSITIONS IN DALLAS

Wednesday, April 1, 1964

9:00 a.m.

Mr. Thomas C. Dillard
c/o Dallas Morning News
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Malcolm O. Couch
4215 Live Oak, Apt. 302
Dallas, Texas

Mr. James R. Underwood
Assistant News Director
KRLD - TV
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Robert E. Edwards
821 South Nursery
Irving, Texas

11:00 a.m.

Mr. Ronald B. Fischer
4007 Flamingo Drive
Mesquite, Texas

Mr. James N. Crawford
Deputy District Court Clerk
Dallas County District Court
Records Building
Dallas, Texas

2:00 p.m.

Mr. Seymour Weitzman
2802 Oates Drive
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Marvin C. Robinson
5120 South Marsalis Avenue
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Roger Craig
7711 Piedmont, Apt. B
Dallas, Texas

Wednesday, April 1, 1964 (continued)

3:00 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson
1026 North Beckley Street
Dallas, Texas

Mrs. Earlene Roberts
1026 North Beckley Street
Dallas, Texas

Thursday, April 2, 1964

9:00 a.m. Mr. Sam Guinyard
605 East Park Street
Waxahachie, Texas

Mrs. Mary E. Bledsoe
621 North Marsalis
Dallas, Texas

Mrs. Virginia Ruth Davis
309 Gauntt Street
Athens, Texas

Mr. William Arthur Smith
328-1/2 East 8th Street
Dallas, Texas

2:00 p.m. Mr. Johnny C. Brewer
512 N. Lancaster, Apt. 102
Dallas, Texas

Miss Julia Postal
2728 Seevers
Dallas, Texas

Mr. George Applin, Jr.
3423 Weisenberger
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Lee E. Bowers, Jr.
10508 Maplegrove Lane
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Domenjo Benvenitos
3112 June Drive
Dallas, Texas

Thursday, April 2, 1964 (continued)

4:00 p.m.

Mr. H. D. Holmes
Postal Inspector
U. S. Post Office Department
Dallas, Texas

Police Department Witnesses

Chief Lumpkin
Det. Leslie D. Montgomery
Det. R. L. Studabaker
Det. Marvin Johnson
Bob K. Carroll
Charles T. Walker
T. A. Hutson
Ray Hawkins
Gerald L. Hill
K. E. Lyon
Capt. W. R. Westbrook
Det. F. M. Turner
Det. Walter E. Potts
Det. G. F. Ross
Det. R. S. Stovall
Det. H. M. Moore
Det. J. P. Alsmick
Det. Johnny Hicks
Det. Pete Barnes
Det. C. N. Dhority
Det. C. W. Brown
Det. R. M. Sims
Det. E. L. Boyd
J. D. Martin (Motorcycle)

non-Police Department Witnesses

Mr. James E. Rosack
Mr. Troy West
Mr. William H. Shelley
Mr. George W. Rockley, Sr.
Mr. Eddie Piper
Miss Mary Ann Mitchell
Mr. Billy H. Lovelady
Mrs. Geneva L. Hine
Mr. Charles D. Givens
Mr. Jack E. Dougherty
Mrs. Doris Burns
Mr. Danny G. Arce
Miss Vickie Adams